

LU5HFI/"Fred" om

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GREETINGS!! Have been tearing my hair to know where to write you - finally heard you were in hospital in CZ, wrote there - then heard you in WASHINGTON - but no one knows where - anyway I'm going to take a chance and try via U.S.I.S.!!

HERE's latest Bulletin for you -- see pages 1,4. **hope you'll** find a bit of interest.

UNDERSTAND you are coking along AOK but must have another small operation to correct damage. **SORRY**, but could be worse - eh??!!

ADMIRE your courage, patience, perseverance!! It was reported to me that you have said - one of the worst things about the affair was that you missed making WAC from SA!!! **BOY!!** you're sure a 160 stalwart!!

YOU'RE not missing much on the TransEQUATORIALS as yet - condx been poor and hardly anyone on -- except VP8NP/Antarctica has been on and worked a few Gs PA6 DL1 etc but no Ws as yet. Been high QRN and poor skip

IF you care to, drop a note for the fall bulletin - but entirely up to you - know you have many things on your mind nowadays.

WE all are sure happy that this is turning out all right for you - course I don't know the whole story yet - it musta been real AWFUL!! And maybe you will have permanent trouble - hope not - don't know

ANYWAY Fred OM - our sincere sympathy to you and best wishes for speedy and 100% recovery!!

BETCHA YOU'll be back on 160 0--- soon!!

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de W1BB/Stew ----- "HOPE springs eternal in the human breast", and so it is we've been patiently waiting and hoping 160 would "Pick-Up", QRN cease, and give us some 'Super' Condx!! While a LOT of DX has been worked, the general consensus is that it is below last years, lets say 10 to 20% down, (or more??), and some, like VK6/sw1/Allen, and others are wondering if 'sunspots' can get too low for good 160 DX! It may be! What do YOU think?? ~~NEVERTHELESS~~, it's been a good season, (September 1, to August 31), and 160 hasn't been down all the time by any means! Lots of excitement and "New-Ones"!! ~~ROLF~~ ROLF/PYLRO wkd 4 of 'em in April - 4S7GV, GC5BGV, VP2EEC and VP8NP Antarctica! Rolf celebrates each new C, and!! each new QSL for same rec'd, by sitting on his porch (w/xyl Kittl) downing a bottle of Champagne - my!! how the spirits have flowed!! ~~G3XAP~~ G3XAP/Phil (Ant Expert!), wkd W/Ve, KV4, PY1, ZP9, EL2, EP2 and Hrd in VK6, w/9 WATTS!!!!, Likewise W9PNE/Brice w/7 watts, wkd 49S, 7C, 3Cont inc LU5HFI!! ~~W5RTQ~~ W5RTQ/Earl/Texas made "First-Ever" W5 "160WAC"!! A LOT of vfb DXpeditions too!! PA6HIP/Willem-GC5BGV. W2QD/John-4ULITU. W4GSM/Terry-VP2EEA. K2FJ/Ken-VP2EEC, PJ8DX. W2DEO/Jim-VP2LEJ & VP2D/W2DEO. W4BRB/Gene-ZP1GS/VP7, 9Z4GS, VP5GS, ZF1AL!! W9UCW/Barry & W9TYC/Moose-HR6BKX. Wb2SYM/Tom-ZF1TW. W4GSM/Terry-VP2MAH. W5MYA/Mike-VP2M. HB9NL/Frank-HB9NL. The advent of the DRAKE T4X, & Yaseau FT101B, made this VFB excitement possible & in spite of sum "Lousy" condx they accomplished a LOT!! "Saludos" to these intrepid men!! May there be more of them in 74/75!! ~~KLPBW~~ KLPBW/Ernie's "Round Trip USA/160 MOBILE" in his Mercedes, visiting many leading 160 DXers, and even wkd DX/Mobile enroute, was GREAT!! Ernie should know now, what the 'Big-Guns' use, how much, and how they do it. G3AAQ/Jake. (Recent USA visitor) is G/Mobile/160 w/FB set-up & trying to "Cross" soon-look fr him!! We're looking forward to the PYLRO/EI9J TransEquatorials this June, to produce "Thrills & Spills" every day 0030z on. AS USUAL, several times when condx HAVE bn gud, there's Bn no one on to take advantage. ALL DXers shud check band more often!! ALSO, we need more 160 men active, in more countries!! WHAT about the future?? We'll just have to "Play it by Ear", and hope for the best. MY guess is that 74/75 will be about the same as 73/74, maybe a bit better. Actually 73/74 hasn't bn too bad for W1BB who wkd 45C & 136 different stns/DX, Vs 45C and 140 Stns in 72/73. (32C & 102 in 71/72). (That is to date fm last Sept 1 in each case,) ANTENNA development & test continues. Verts w/Radials taking it for transmitting, and LWA, particularly BEVERAGES for receiving. (On 80, and 40 the contest winners are mostly using beverages!!) (Think they mostly got the idea from whats recently bn done on 160!!). W1BB built/tested Inverted "L", Per G3XAP and has had most excellent results. Some fair receiving work has even been done with UNDERGROUND antenna (Rx) on 160 - more on this later maybe. MORE 160 abbreviations for you: SR-"Sunrise", SS-"Sunset" - S-"States", M-"Multiplier" as in a contest. - plus C-Country, ies, Q-QSO/s etc. "DX INDOOR" still working out 'pretty good', sure better than no INDOOR at all!!! Right??!!

NOW's the season for ANTENNA WORK!! HAPPY SUMMER to 'yall, and b.c.n.u. 74/75

de Stew/W1BB ----- and Marguerite sez "Hi" !!

